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# MENDOCINO COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2019

**Don't forget to sign up for our new texting notifications:**

### 4-H Families

Text "@4hmendofam"

To: **81010**

Receive notifications for:

- Enrolled member updates
- Training Dates
- Meetings, Events & more!

### 4-H Project Leaders

Text "@4-hpl"

To: **81010**

Receive Notifications for:

- PL Deadlines
- Project policy reminders
- Project Events, Fundraiser's & more!

### 4-H Community Club Leaders

Text "@4-hccl"

To: 81010

Receive notifications for:

- CCL Deadline reminders
- UCCE Website updates
- Policy Reminders & more!

### 4-H Summer Camp

Text "@4-hsummer"

To: **81010**

Enrolled in Camp this year? Receive notifications for camp member updates!

## Executive Council

4-H Families,

We are in dire need to fill in some positions of our Mendocino County Executive Council.

Term length would be for 2 years.

Positions needed are: President, Members at Large

**Senior youth members (14-19) may hold offices, except those of President or Treasurer!!!**

If you are interested in learning more about the each position and what their duties entail, please contact Jessica at [jfarfan@ucanr.edu](mailto:jfarfan@ucanr.edu).



## Enrollment Policy Reminder:

Adult volunteer re-enrollments (they were Active in the previous program year)

Per policy, 4-H adult volunteer appointments are valid for a period of 1 year, and there is a six-month overlap process for reappointments. As such, the 4-H adult volunteers have, until December 31st to re-enroll in the program, be appointed and made Active in 4Honline for the year they are re-enrolling in. These adults are permitted to continue acting in their 4-H adult volunteer capacity to allow them to continue their service on July 1st, while they concurrently proceed with their re-enrollment in the new program year before Dec. 31st...

... If they do not re-enroll by Dec. 31st, then on January 1st, they are no longer able to participate in the program until they finish the re-enrollment process. The 6-month window (July 1-Dec 31) will have expired. During these 6-months, the accident/sickness coverage is in effect while they are acting in the course and scope as an adult volunteer in the program.

4-H youth members

The six-month overlap exists for those youth to participate in programs that were an extension or related to their previous program year's enrollment experience, e.g. fair, camp. They would not however, be participating in activities in the current year that were unrelated to the previous year's participation.

## 2019-20 Appointment/ Re-Appointment Online Courses are Open

The required trainings can be completed in one of three ways:

1. eXtension Learning Management System -Create or login to your eXtension account and take the course at your own pace.
2. Statewide Webinar-Register and participate in one of the statewide webinars offered between July and December 2019. <http://ucanr.edu/sites/UC4-H/files/305693.pdf>
3. Countywide In-person-Contact your county office to see if they will be offering an in-person training for the new or returning volunteer courses.

## End of Year Club Reminders:

### Record Books Due to turn in to Clubs:

September 27th, 2019

### County Record Book Judging:

October 5th, 2019

## 2019-2020 Program Fees:

Adult: \$24

Youth: \$58

## Tractor Supply Paper Clover Days



Want to fundraise during the TSC Paper Clover Days and/or during National 4-H Week?!?

### Sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050c48aaa82da5fdo-tscpaper>

### National 4-H Week dates:

10/6-10/12

### TSC Paper Clover dates:

10/9-10/20

## PumpkinFest 2019

There will be a Mendocino County 4-H Booth present during the 2019 Ukiah PumpkinFest!!!

### Dates & Times:

October 19th- 10am to 6pm

October 20th- 10am to 4pm

We are unable to sell baked goods or items to fundraise, however, there will be a donations box open to the public for the 4-H County Program.

I am looking for some 4-H Youth to come participate by showcasing any of their 4-H accomplishments or products from past projects! This is a great opportunity for your record books!

To sign up for a slot, click here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C48AAA82DA5FDO-pumpkinfest>

## Cloverbud Carnival 2019

The Halloween time Cloverbud Carnival is coming back this year!

### Date & Time:

October 26th-10am to 12pm

Bring on all the 4-H Cloverbuds dressed up in their costumes for some fun activities hosted by their own County youth members!

Club Leaders, please report to the office with head counts for attendance and preparation- this event will only happen if there is interest!

## Market Animal Project Enrollment Due Date

Don't forget that if you are interested in signing up for a market animal project, enrollment is due by **October 15th!**

## UCCE Office Schedule Update

As of Monday, September 9, the Mendocino County UCCE Office, will now be **closed** from **12-1pm** – unless they make a special appointment with Tannis.

## New! Treasurer's Training on eXtension

We are pleased to announce the launch of the new California 4-H Treasurer's Training in eXtension. This course was developed by a sub-committee of the State 4-H Policy Advisory Committee and is designed to walk 4-H Club Treasurers through their important role.

Access to the course and its unique enrollment keys (different from the required training enrollment keys) can be accessed directly by youth members and volunteers at <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Learning-Development>.

You can direct any questions or report any issues with the course through our ticketing system at

<https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=27435>

## Mindfulness Retreat

**November 1-3, 2019**

**Camp Ocean Pines, Cambria**

Registration due by Oct. 1st

Registration \$275\* plus chaperone fees

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/News/?calitem=460616&g=86993>

Register here:

<https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=28011>

## Volunteer Retreat

**November 8-10, 2019**

**Asilomar Hotel & Conference Grounds**

**Pacific Grove, CA**

Registration open until October 31st

Registration is only \$97\*

We invite all volunteers who work with youth to attend this conference focused on developing stronger youth development skills. Workshops are geared towards EMPOWERING you with new ideas and skills to take back to your clubs and projects.

<https://ucanr.edu/sites/ca4hslf/>



**e4: The Volunteer Retreat**

Engage. Energize. Equip. Empower.



## National Youth Summit Series- Registrations now Open

National 4-H Conference Center brings together inspired 9-12th graders for our National Youth Summits, where they'll participate in STEM, Agri-Science, Healthy Living, or Photography programs!

STEM Summit (formerly Maker) - October 24-27, 2019

Agri-Science - January 9-12, 2020

Healthy Living - February 13-16, 2020

Photography - February 26 - March 1, 2020

California 4-H Youth Summits

Ripples of Today, Waves of Tomorrow!

Our goal is to empower youth by giving them the tools to create change in their communities.

This year, we will inspire and facilitate the ability of youth to create impact in their communities on issues they care about.

The California 4-H Youth Summits are three-day leadership development conferences hosted in four locations across the state. Youth summit programs are designed to grow the leadership abilities of intermediate 4-H members (ages 11-13). The summits are planned by a team of senior 4-H members (ages 14+) overseen by the California 4-H Management Board.

[http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H\\_Events/Summits/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/Summits/)

**Register Here:**

<https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=27994>

## Go Fly Final Fly Off

**February 29th, 2020**

STEM Family Event

<https://goflyprize.com/final-fly-off/>

## Animal Science Field Day

**February 8th, 2020**

Sonoma/ Marin Fairgrounds

## Russell Preston Scholarship Recipient 2018-2019



### Tanner Whetzel!

I was born and raised in Mendocino County where I have been involved in the Ukiah Shamrock 4-H program for ten years. Since I was nine years old, 4-H has been the biggest impact in my life. Through the program, I got the privilege of learning life skills and preparing myself for the future. In 4-H, I participated in many projects which included: Poultry, Cavies, Shotgun, Rifle, Plant Science, Computer Science, Wreaths Across America, and 4-H Camp. I earned the wonderful honor of going to UC Davis for State Presentation Day, being the Teen Director for two years of 4-H Camp and earning the Platinum Star my Freshman year of high school. Leadership roles like President of Ukiah Shamrock and being a Teen leader for numerous 4-H projects have benefited me in school, work, and everyday life. I have learned to work in groups, on my own, with younger kids, with my peers and

with adults. There was never a point in my 4-H career where I looked back and said, "That was a waste of my time". Every event, every early morning, and every pin on my hat has given me a lesson that I use today. The act of community and volunteerism has been engraved in my life. This community has given me many opportunities and I believe it is my time to give back to the community that raised me. This Fall I will be attending Chico State University where I will be earning a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology. From there I plan on returning home to Mendocino County where I will be applying to the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office.

# Calendar of Events

## September

- 16th- Online Club Financial Reporting Due
- 18th- Executive Council Meeting (UCCE Ukiah)
- 25th- Camp Steering Committee Meeting
- 27th- Record Books due to Clubs

## October

- 1st- Enrollment Scholarship Applications Due
- 5th- County Council Meeting (UCCE Ukiah)
- 5th- Record Book Judging
- 6th-12th- National 4-H Week!
- 9th-20th- TSC Paper Clover Days
- 14th- UCCE Office Closed
- 15th- Market Animal Projects Enrollment Deadline
- 19th-20th- PumpkinFest (Downtown Ukiah)
- 23rd- Camp Steering Committee Meeting
- 26th- Cloverbud Carnival (UCCE Ukiah)

## November

- 1st- State Record Books Due
- 1st-3rd- Mindfulness Retreat
- 8th-10th- Volunteer Retreat
- 11th- UCCE Office Closed
- 28th-29th- UCCE Office Closed

## December

- 24th-25th- UCCE Office Closed
- 31st- All Adult Enrollments due
- 31st-Jan 1st- UCCE Office Closed

## January

- 20th- UCCE Office Closed

## February

- 8th- Animal Science Field Day
- 17th- UCCE Office Closed
- 29th- Go Fly Final Fly Off
- \*Presentation Day\*TBD\*



## Important Messages from 4-H Staff:

### Mendocino County 4-H Council and Members:

#### RE: 4-H Program Updates

I am writing to address some of the concerns and rumors that have been occurring in the community about the California 4-H Program. In the April council meeting, we had talked about UCANR's budget shortfall which is affecting the 4-H program throughout the state of California. As a result, funding cuts to the 4-H community education specialist/program staff were made. As part of my efforts to seek out funding solutions, I am pleased to report that we have successfully secured funding for 2019-2020 through collaborative projects. As a result, a portion of both Jessica's and my time will be dedicated to a grant-funded project from July 2019 to June 2020. We are excited to be working on this project to advance STEM education to youth and to promote 4-H through this avenue as well.

At this point in time, I would like to make it clear that the Mendocino County 4-H program is still ongoing and growing. We are often looking to work with more youth through partnerships and collaborations, as well as through the great work of volunteers. We are fortunate to have opportunities to seek different funding sources in our county. As with changes in the statewide program leadership, we may anticipate some program changes so I urge that we wait to see what changes may be in place for the following year before sparking concern. As I get information on any changes occurring to the 4-H program, I will share them.

#### Current program needs

To ensure the continued growth of the program, we have current program needs that are more pressing.

- We are looking for members to fill the Executive Council (EC). The EC serves as board members for the local 4-H program. The Mendocino EC provides leadership to the Mendocino 4-H Council where decisions regarding the Mendocino 4-H program is made. This is important to ensure that the Mendocino 4-H community are involved in driving the direction of the Mendocino 4-H program.
- We are looking for participation in more local fundraising. Our increased interest and efforts in fundraising have been a long-time coming for various programmatic needs including, but not limited to, supplies, curriculum, and youth scholarships. We have had many ideas over the years and would finally like them to happen with your help. We will be hosting some fun annual fundraising events and would like everyone to be a part of it! If you have some ideas for fundraising, we would also love to hear about them.

For more inquiries on the EC and fundraising, please contact Jessica Farfan at (707) 972-8788 or [jfarfan@ucanr.edu](mailto:jfarfan@ucanr.edu)

As always, thank you for all that you do for the youth in our community. Please know that you are making a huge positive impact in their lives. I look forward to starting this busy but rewarding 2019-2020 4-H Program Year with everyone!

**Car Mun Kok, 4-H Youth Development  
Advisor, UCCE**



# Important Messages from 4-H Staff Cont'd:

## Mendocino County 4-H Leaders and Families

### Hello!

As we welcome another exciting 4-H year, I wanted to ensure everyone was informed of an upcoming change due to occur late November, as this will change how communications regarding program support will be adjusted for some time.

Starting on Thanksgiving (tentatively) I will begin my maternity leave and will return March/April. Because of this, I would like to ensure 4-H program needs are set and facilitated as much as possible prior to my leave so that the time away will go smooth for everyone! :)

Tannis and Car Mun will step in in my absence to assist in program needs, as what was done similarly with Linda's retirement. Please send correspondences to both person's emails as that would bridge all communications.

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Car Mun: [cmkok@ucanr.edu](mailto:cmkok@ucanr.edu)

Please note that JT has retired this month and will no longer be the point of contact for facility use agreements, or any forms of that nature. I will be processing these moving forward.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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